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COMMUNITY VALUES



Example of good practise

Borge Brass Band

Brassband for adults in Lofoten

Norway 2023



LOCAL IDENTITY AND SOCIAL COHESION
DEMOCRATIC VALUES AND PRACTISES

TOOL SUMMARY

Name	Borge Brass Band
Summary description of idea and activities	A band for adults. It is a brass band, i.e. the type of band that only has brass instruments and percussion. The band strives for high quality and has participated in the Norwegian brass band championship
Country observed	Norway
Year observed	2023
Programme area (Social inclusion/ Active Citizenship/Environmental sustainability)	Local identity and social cohesion Democratic values and practices
Specific topic	Attract persons in Lofoten who can play brass instruments at a relatively high level, and also let them take part in the added value that comes with it
Beneficiaries of the activities	Persons who play brass instruments
Can these activities be applied to other beneficiaries: yes/no	Yes
What type of beneficiaries: ALL, or specific ones?	All
If specific ones, which?	

Full description

About:

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Good practice examples of added values:

Playing in a team often creates social inclusion. As an example, the leader of the band (the same leader as Salig Blanding) started studying as an adult. He came to Narvik where he was going to study, and only knew a few people there. Through his participation in one of the amateur band in the city, he gained a complete network, and most of the social activities he took part in in Narvik were connected to his network in the amateur band. To a lesser extent, he took part in social activities with fellow students. In the same way, he would like to believe that new members in Borge Brass Band will find a network and that will make social inclusion easy. Not primarily as students, but as immigrants in general. When you move somewhere, membership in a band is a quick way to become socially included.

In Borge Brass Band, they have democratic elections of the board, and some decisions are made in plenary. It's more uncertain whether this directly leads to active citizenship. But probably it can strengthen democracy as such also outside the organization. Elections and plenary decisions are democratic.

The band's activity as such has no impact on the external environment. The rehearsal rooms the band use, which are mostly Borge church, are already in use, the rooms are heated, and they have no influence on the choice of heating method. Borge Brass Band has organized a flea market, which, in addition to giving money to the organisation, can also lead to the reuse of both clothes and other items. Shared use of practice rooms is good for the environment. Flea markets can lead to reuse.

For more resources and information

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